

Fw: Update from Dworshak in Preparation for Chinook from Clearwater Jill Olson

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FYI. Have a wonderful week!

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SubjectRe: Update from Dworshak in Preparation for Chinook from Clearwater.

All,

Just wanted to provide another status update for Dworshak activities related to the damaged reservoir primary pipeline and fish.

- The 2.5 million Chinook were moved from Clearwater Hatchery to Dworshak earlier this week. They are in system III in 25 burrows ponds.
- The rented backup generator has been set up for "manual" operation. This was tested, staff went through training this afternoon and a standard operating procedure was written and posted on the electrical panels for both these pumps to convert to emergency power in the event of a power outage. Our electricians will proceed with some additional programming on these systems for auto-start. Hats off to our staff for working through this and providing us with the comfort of knowing we'll have adequate water to support the fish.
- Our staff excavated the 42 and 30 inch pipes on-site and Knight Construction will begin Saturday (9/1) to interconnect these pipes to enable us to handle the additional water and enable us to continue sending all "cleaning" water to the biofilters for a treatment. This allows us to follow through with our EPA responsibilities relative to cleaning and settling solids.
- King's Throne will also be here on Saturday (9/1) to review the media removal project in System II and submit a bid for this project.
- Our Contracting staff in Portland has been outstanding in processing these projects and keeping us moving forward and aligning us for success.

I'm going to be out of the office all of next week and back in on the 11th.

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All,

Just wanted to provide an update as the weeks closes out.

- The 500KW generator will be delivered to Dworshak this evening. The intent is to have all electrical hooked up and operational by mid-week (next week). This will provide the additional pumping capability needed to carry the fish through in the event of a power outage.
- All of the fish on-site at Dworshak that needed to be moved to accommodate the 2.5 million Chinook coming from the Clearwater Hatchery have been moved.
- All but about 4 ponds have been pressure washed and ready to go. The remaining ponds will be cleaned tomorrow/Sunday by staff and ready for fish on Monday.
- Special Thanks to Steve Rodgers and his staff for coming up and helping us out yesterday and today......A ton of work was accomplished with this collaborative effort!!!
- We contacted the EPA last Friday, briefed them on the situation and they were very supportive of us. We had intended to get a letter to them this week. The letter will go out next week summarizing our operations relative to cleaning waste since the best solutions weren't developed until late in the week. Jared Frank, Mechanical Engineer in the Walla Walla District was an MVP in this solution. It looks like some plumbing changes will enable us to send all cleaning water for a treatment prior to discharge. This plumbing work will take place as early as next week by modifying the Contract with Knight Construction which is the contractor for repairs to the Primary water line.
- Conference Call on Monday 27th to discuss water shut down for more filming using the Remote Operated Vehicle on September 4th.

Nothing like a Crisis to bring us all together.....Have a great weekend!

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